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Thursday, February 26, 1976

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4487-4614

Bills Introduced: 11 bills and 1 resolution were introduced as follows: S. 3046-3056; S.J. Res. 173. *Page 4547*

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Committee on Rules and Administration reported the following resolutions requesting funds for Senate committee and subcommittee activities as follows:

S. Res. 368, Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences—\$117,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-652);

S. Res. 352, Committee on Agriculture and Forestry—\$330,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-653);

S. Res. 387, Committee on Armed Services—\$601,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-654);

S. Res. 369, Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs—\$860,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-655);

S. Res. 364, Committee on the Budget—\$1,930,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-656);

S. Res. 374, Committee on Commerce—\$2,360,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-657);

S. Res. 367, Committee on the District of Columbia—\$201,600 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-658);

S. Res. 349, Committee on Finance—\$369,100 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-659);

S. Res. 371, Committee on Foreign Relations—\$1,150,000, (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-660);

S. Res. 363, Committee on Government Operations—\$2,800,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-661);

S. Res. 360, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs—\$659,900 (S. Rept. No. 94-662);

S. Rept. 375, Committee on the Judiciary—\$4,109,700 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-663);

S. Res. 361, Committee on Labor and Public Welfare—\$1,950,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-664);

S. Res. 365, Committee on Post Office and Civil Service—\$165,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-665);

S. Res. 354, Committee on Public Works—\$926,700 (S. Rept. No. 94-666);

S. Res. 372, Committee on Veterans' Affairs—\$318,600 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-667);

S. Res. 362, Select Committee on small Business—\$234,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-668);

S. Res. 376, Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs—\$439,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-669);

S. Res. 373, Special Committee on Aging—\$507,000 (S. Rept. No. 94-670);

S. Res. 377, Select Committee on Intelligence Activities—\$300,000 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-671); and

S. Res. 370, Special Committee on National Emergencies and Delegated Emergency Powers—\$12,500 (amended) (S. Rept. No. 94-672). *Page 4545*

(NOTE: For amounts requested by originating legislative committee, see page D118 of the DAILY DIGEST of February 24, 1976.)

Bill Referred: H.R. 11893, to increase the temporary public debt limit, was referred to Committee on Finance. *Page 4544*

Message From House: Senate received one message from the House today. *Page 4544*

Amendments Submitted for Printing: *Pages 4561-4562*

Measures Passed:

Budget authority rescissions: Senate passed with committee amendment and returned to the House H.R. 11665, to rescind certain budget authority recommended in the message of the President dated January 23, 1976, as set forth in H. Doc. 94-342. *Pages 4487-4489*

Patent laws revision: Senate passed with committee amendments and sent to the House S. 2255, providing for a general revision of the patent laws. *Pages 4489-4532*

Supplemental railroad appropriations: Senate agreed to S. Res. 392, waiving section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to consideration of H.J. Res. 801, supplemental railroad appropriations. *Pages 4532-4533*

Rehabilitation Act conference report: Senate agreed to S. Res. 393, waiving section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 11045, the Rehabilitation Act Extension of 1976. *Pages 4533-4534*

Supplemental railroad appropriations: By 62 yeas and 23 nays, Senate passed H.J. Res. 801, making supplemental appropriations for purposes of upgrading the Nation's railroad facilities through fiscal year 1977, after agreeing to committee amendments en bloc, and to two additional amendments as follows: *Page 4617*

(1) Pastore amendment (for Scott of Pennsylvania and Mansfield) making certain statutes inapplicable to any individual serving as a member to the Commission on the Operation of the Senate; and *Page 4616*

(2) Pastore amendment appropriating an additional \$12 million for interim operating assistance.

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested conference with the House and appointed as conferees Senators Bayh, McClellan, Robert C. Byrd, Stennis, Magnuson, Pastore, Eagleton, Case, Young, Stevens, Mathias, and Schweiker.

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Secret Service salaries: Senate passed and sent to the House, S. 3028, to place the Director and Deputy Director of the Secret Service in Levels IV and V, respectively, of the Executive Pay Schedule.

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Science Policy: Senate insisted on its amendment to H.R. 10230, to establish a national policy and priorities for science and technology, agreed to conference requested by the House, and appointed as conferees Senators Kennedy, Magnuson, Moss, Mondale, Tunney, Ford, Goldwater, Beall, and Laxalt.

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Richard G. Darman, of Massachusetts, and Joseph E. Kasputys, of New York, each to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce;

John Thomas Smith II, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce;

David W. Oberlin, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation;

Charles J. Pooler, to be U.S. marshal for the district of Maine; and

Georgiana H. Sheldon, of Virginia, to be a Civil Service Commissioner.

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Nomination: Senate received the nomination of Robert L. Hirsch, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of Energy Research and Development.

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Record Vote: One record vote was taken today (total—50).

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Adjournment: Senate met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

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Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—EDUCATION SUPPLEMENTAL AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor and Health, Education and Welfare concluded hearings on a proposed amendment to the second supplemental appropriations for emergency school aid, after receiving testimony from Rudolph Pierce, Freedom House, Boston.

Also, subcommittee resumed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1977 for the Department

of HEW, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for the Social Security Administration from its Commissioner, James B. Cardwell.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 2.

APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1977 for the Department of Transportation and related activities, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for the Panama Canal Company and the Canal Zone Government from Victor V. Veysey, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works); and Maj. Gen. Harold R. Parfitt, Governor of the Canal Zone; and in behalf of funds for the Coast Guard from Adm. Owen W. Siler, Commandant.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 3.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Research and Development continued closed hearings on proposed military procurement authorizations for fiscal year 1977, receiving testimony from H. Tyler Marcy, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research and Development; and Vice Adm. Parker B. Armstrong, Director of Research, Development, Test and Evaluation.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of John Breen Benton, of California, to be Executive Director of the National Commission on Electronic Fund Transfers, after the nominee testified and answered questions on his own behalf.

MUNICIPAL SECURITIES

Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities continued hearings on S. 2574 and S. 2969, to require the registration of municipal securities and preparation of annual reports and distribution statements by their issuers, receiving testimony from Mayor Richard Carver, of Peoria, representing the National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, Washington, D.C.; Robert G. Nordling and Gilman G. Gunn, both representing the Chubb Corporation; Donald Robinson, and Richard B. Smith, attorneys, both of New York City; Donald Hodgman, attorney, Los Angeles; S. Grady Fullerton and William Reynolds, both representing the Municipal Finance Officers Association, Washington, D.C.; Ronald Forbes, State University of New York, Albany; and Robert W. Doty, Creighton Law School, Omaha.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee continued hearings in preparation of reporting its first concurrent resolution setting forth recommended levels of total budget outlays, Federal revenues and new budget authority, receiving testimony from Secretary of Labor W. J. Usery, Jr.; Dr. Michael H. Moskow, Director, Council on Wages and Price Stability; Robert Nathan, Council on National Priorities and Resources, Washington, D.C.; and Dr. Carl Christ, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 2.

ENERGY CONSERVATION

Committee on Commerce: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2932 to provide energy conservation in residential housing, commercial and public buildings, and commercial plants through federally-supported State energy conservation programs, after receiving testimony from Senator Kennedy; John A. Hill, Deputy Administrator of the Federal Energy Administration; Fred Dubin, New York City; Louis deMoll, The American Institute of Architects, Washington, D.C.; Thomas J. Owen, Perpetual Savings and Loan Association, Washington, D.C.; and Frank Scaduto, Sheet Metal Workers International Association, Washington, D.C.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA PROBLEMS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee continued hearings to receive testimony concerning problems in the National Capital area, having as its witnesses Walter A. Scheiber, Thomas X. White, Harold L. Miller, John W. Purdy, Albert A. Grant, and Ruth R. Crone, all representing the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, March 3.

NOMINATIONS AND BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of George H. Dixon, of Minnesota, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; and William H. Taft IV, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, after the nominees testified and answered questions on their own behalf. Senator Mondale introduced Mr. Dixon.

Also, committee continued to review those items in the President's budget for fiscal year 1977 which fall within its legislative jurisdiction with a view to making its recommendations thereon to the Budget Committee, but did not complete action and will meet again tomorrow.

LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on the Interior: Subcommittee on the Environment and Land Resources concluded hearings on the following bills;

S. 301, to clear title to certain lands in the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, New Mexico, receiving testimony from Senator Domenici;

S. 1872, to enlarge the boundary of Cibola, National Forest, New Mexico, after receiving testimony from Senator Domenici and Dr. Thomas Nelson, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture;

S. 2286, to provide for a description of certain lands to be conveyed by the United States to Albuquerque, New Mexico, after receiving testimony from Senator Domenici;

S. 2511, to convey by quitclaim deed, for not less than fair market value, certain lands in Boise, Idaho, after receiving testimony from Dr. Nelson; and

S. 2837, to except a tract of ground located in Carbon County, Wyoming from the restrictions of the Act of August 30, 1890, after receiving testimony from George L. Turcott, Associate Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and Gerald Russell, Carbon County, Wyoming.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee approved the nomination of Jean McKee, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Javits, testified and answered questions on her own behalf.

JUDICIAL TENURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in Judicial Machinery continued hearing on S. 1110, to establish a procedure, in addition to impeachment, for the retirement or the removal of justices and judges, receiving testimony from Raoul Berger, Harvard Law School, Cambridge.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, March 10.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee ordered favorably the following business items:

S. 641, to require improved safety assurance measures in food manufacture and distribution (amended);

S. 1681, authorizing the FDA to promulgate regulations for ingredient labeling and substantiation of safety of cosmetics (amended);

S. 1926, to extend and revise health maintenance organization programs (amended);

S. 1737, to establish uniform standards for licensing and regulation of clinical laboratories (amended); and

Nomination of Daniel E. Leach, of Virginia, to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on the Handicapped resumed oversight hearings on rehabilitation programs, receiving testimony from Representative Dodd; Stanley B. Thomas, Jr., Chairman, accompanied by several members of the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; and Eunice Fiorito and Reese Robrahn, all representing the American Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities, Inc., and the American Council of the Blind, Washington, D.C.

Hearings will continue on Tuesday, March 30.

FHA BUDGET

Committee on Public Works: Committee continued hearings to review those items in the President's budget for fiscal year 1977 which fall within its legislative jurisdiction, receiving testimony from Lester Lamm, Executive Director, Federal Highway Administration, who was accompanied by his associates of the Department of Transportation.

Committee will meet again on Monday, March 1.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee continued consideration of legislative proposals to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act and will meet again on Monday, March 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 59 public bills, H.R. 12118-12176; 3 private bills, H.R. 12177-12179; and 14 resolutions, H.J. Res. 830-832, H. Con. Res. 561-569, and H. Res. 1057 and 1058 were introduced. Pages 4674-4676

Report Filed: One report was filed as follows: Report entitled "Bureau of Reclamation's Indexing Procedures Conceal Information That Water Resource Projects Are in Excess of Their Authorized Cost Ceilings" (H. Rept. 94-852). Page 4673

Late Report: Committee on Government Operations received permission to file a report by midnight tonight. Page 4620

Presidential Message—Health Care: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits to Con-

gress legislative proposals designed to improve the health of the Nation's people—referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and ordered printed (H. Doc. 94-383). Pages 4621-4622

Committee Funds: House agreed to the following resolutions, all authorizing funds for the below listed committees:

- H. Res. 1020, Committee on House Administration;
 - H. Res. 975, Committee on Education and Labor;
 - H. Res. 970, Committee on Ways and Means;
 - H. Res. 1015, Committee on Banking, Currency and Housing;
 - H. Res. 974, Committee on Agriculture; and
 - H. Res. 1039, Committee on Small Business.
- Pages 4622-4625

Printing: House agreed to S. Con. Res. 88, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the open hearings and the final report of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities; clearing the measure. Page 4625

House Rules: By a yea-and-nay vote of 258 yeas to 107 nays, the House agreed to H. Res. 868, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide that the House may not consider any report of a committee, bill, resolution, or a report of a committee of conference unless copies or reproductions have been available to Members on the floor at least 2 hours before such consideration; agreed to the committee amendment; and agreed to amend the title of the measure. Pages 4625-4630

Late Report: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce received permission to file a report by midnight Sunday, February 29 on H.R. 11124, Medical Device Amendments of 1976. Page 4630

Pacific Islands Trust Territory: House passed H.R. 12122, to amend section 2 of the Act of June 30, 1954, providing for the continuance of civil government for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. Pages 4630-4631

Flag Day: It was made in order for the Speaker to declare a recess on Tuesday, June 15, for the purpose of observing and commemorating Flag Day. Subsequently, the Speaker appointed Representatives Nichols, Risenhoover, Beard of Tennessee, and Emery as members of the Committee to make the necessary arrangements. Page 4631

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of March 3. Page 4631

Referrals: Three Senate-passed measures were referred to the appropriate House committees. Page 4673

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GRAIN STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued markup of Grain Standards Act Amendments, and will resume on Tuesday, March 2.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture and Related Agencies held a hearing on Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Fish and Wildlife Service.

LABOR-HEW APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor-HEW continued hearings on HEW fiscal year 1977 requests.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held hearings on Office of Technology Assessment; and American Indian Policy Review Commission.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Air Force programs.

PUBLIC WORKS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works held a hearing with testimony from Secretary of Interior Kleppe and Water Resources Council.

STATE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Justice, Commerce and Judiciary held an executive hearing with testimony from Secretary of State Kissinger; and an open hearing on State Department salaries and expenses.

TREASURY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government held hearings on Council of Economic Advisers and Council on International Economic Policy.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Interstate Commerce Commission.

DOD AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Research and Development continued hearings on Title II of H.R. 11500, DOD authorization for fiscal year 1977, with testimony from Department of the Air Force witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DOD AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower continued hearings on H.R. 11500, DOD authorization, with testimony from Rear Adm. William L. Read, Director, Ship Acquisition Division, U.S. Navy.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities continued hearings on H.R. 11833, military construction authorization for fiscal year 1977. Testimony was heard from Navy and Marine Corps witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DOD AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel continued hearings on Titles III, IV, V, and VI of H.R. 11500, DOD authorization. Testimony was heard from Assistant Secretary of the Navy Joseph T. McCullen, Jr., Manpower and Reserve Affairs; and representatives of the Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard Reserves.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Investigations continued hearings on Civil Defense with testimony from Civil Defense directors from State of West Virginia and New Orleans, La.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DOD BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on National Security continued hearings on the DOD fiscal year 1977 budget request with testimony from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FISCAL CRISIS OF CITIES

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Community Resources continued hearings on fiscal crisis of the cities with testimony from public witnesses.

NATIONAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Manpower, Compensation, and Health and Safety continued hearings on H.R. 9431, National Workers' Compensation Act of 1975, with testimony from public witnesses.

Hearings continue Thursday, March 4.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Operations: Met and ordered reported favorably to the House the following reports:

Bureau of Reclamation's Inflation Indexing Procedures Conceal Information That Water Resource Projects Are in Excess of Their Authorized Cost Ceilings; and

Concession Policies Discourage Competition, Give Concessioners Too Great a Voice in National Park System Management and Operation.

DOMESTIC NUCLEAR INDUSTRY SAFEGUARDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment began hearings on safeguards in the domestic nuclear industry. Testimony was heard from Senator Gravel; Representative Fish; a threat panel and a reactor sabotage panel.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PEACE CORPS AUTHORIZATION

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on H.R. 11711, to authorize appropriations for the Peace Corps for fiscal years 1977 and 1978. Testimony was heard from Michael P. Balzano, Jr., Director, and John Dellenback, Associate Director, ACTION for International Relations.

ANGOLA DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Resources, Food and Energy held a hearing on disaster assistance in Angola. Testimony was heard from Ambassador William E. Schaufele, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; John A. Reed, Jr., Director, Africa Region, Department of Defense, and Sean Gervasi, Consultant, Office of the Commissioner for Namibia, United Nations.

CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued markup of H.R. 10489, Clean Air Act Amendments of 1975, and will resume on Tuesday, March 2.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE

Commerce on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment continued hearings on national health insurance with testimony from public witnesses.

FEDERAL RAILROAD SAFETY AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Commerce continued hearings on H.R. 11804, Federal Railroad Safety Authorization Act of 1976. Testimony was heard from Carl Reistrup, President, AMTRAK; John G. German, Mississippi Pacific Railroad; and James P. Snyder, Railway Labor Executives Association.

FEDERAL FIREARMS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Continued markup of H.R. 11193, Federal Firearms Act of 1975.

COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Navigation met and approved for full committee action H.R. 11670 amended, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for the procurement of vessels and aircraft and construction of shore and offshore establishments, to authorize for the Coast Guard a year-end strength for active duty personnel, and to authorize for the Coast Guard average military student loads.

U.S.-FLAG MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine resumed oversight hearings on the United States-flag Merchant Marine. Testimony was heard from Dr. Allen R. Ferguson, President, Public Interest Economics Center, Washington, D.C.

OCS LANDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Ad Hoc Select Committee on Outer Continental Shelf: Continued markup of H.R. 6218, Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1975, and will resume on Thursday, March 4.

COORDINATION OF STATISTICS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Census and Population concluded hearings on coordination of statistics with testimony from public witnesses.

AIRCRAFT NOISE ABATEMENT

Committee on Public Works and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on aircraft noise abatement with testimony from representatives of Federal Aviation Administration and Office of Environmental Quality.

FEDERAL BUILDING NAMES—BUILDING PROSPECTUSES

Committee on Public Works and Transportation: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on and approved for full committee action the following bills:

H.R. 2749, to name a portion of the site of the Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building in Cleveland, Ohio, the "George Washington Square"; and

H.R. 11303, to designate the "Herman T. Schneebeli Federal Building".

The Subcommittee also approved for full committee action a number of building prospectuses relating to construction, alterations, and lease renewals.

EPA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on the Environment and the Atmosphere concluded hearings on EPA research and development authorization bill for fiscal year 1977 with testimony from Dr. Wilson K. Talley, EPA.

ERDA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development and Demonstration, Fossil Fuels, began markup of ERDA authorization for fiscal year 1977, and will resume on Tuesday, March 2.

ERDA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development and Demonstration concluded hearings on fiscal year 1977 ERDA authorization with testimony from public witnesses.

ROBINSON-PATMAN ACT

Committee on Small Business: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Antitrust and the Robinson-Patman Act continued hearings on recent efforts to amend or repeal the Robinson-Patman Act with testimony from public witnesses.

Joint Committee Meetings**PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT**

Joint Economic Committee: Committee continued hearings on the President's economic report, receiving testi-

mony from Chief Frank Fools Crow, Kyle, South Dakota; Dr. Steven Jonas, State University of New York, Albany; Patrick V. Murphy, Police Foundation; and Leon Keyserling, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings will continue on Thursday, March 4.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and the House-passed versions of H.R. 6516, to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act so as to make it unlawful to discriminate against an applicant on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin and age.

FISHERIES PROTECTION

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 200, to establish, on an interim basis, a 200 mile fisheries management zone off the coasts of the United States, but did not reach final agreement thereon and recessed subject to call.

Monday, March 1, 1976

Senate**Chamber Action**

Routine Proceedings, pages 4736-4782

Bills Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced as follows: S. 3057-3058; S. Res. 400

Pages 4752, 4754-4758

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 9721 to provide for increased participation by the United States in the Inter-American Development Bank with amendments (S. Rept. No. 94-673);

S. Res. 104 giving the Select Committee on Small Business legislative jurisdiction over matters concerning small business enterprises for the SBA, with amendments (S. Rept. No. 94-674);

S. Res. 400, to establish a Standing Committee of the Senate on Intelligence Activities, (S. Rept. No. 94-675) (referred to Committee on Rules and Administration).

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Bill Referred: H.R. 12122, trust territory of the Pacific, was referred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

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Message From the House: Senate received one message from the House today.

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Notices of Committee Hearings:

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